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**PRINCIPAL’S CORNER**

Dear Gorman Crossing Families and Friends,

Are you looking for a more streamlined way to receive information from the Howard County Public School System?

 HCPSS is excited to announce that today, a new HCPSS mobile app is available in the Apple App Store and Google Play store. The app has four main components that support our communications efforts:

     News: Read news items generated from the HCPSS website and school websites. Parents can select which schools to see news from.

     Calendars: Add system wide and school events directly to your own calendar.

     School Contact: Provides parents with an easy way to contact their schools.

     Connect: Provides direct access to Superintendent information, Board of Education information, HCPSS Twitter, Facebook and YouTube.

Download it today!

 Deborah H. Caldwell, Principal

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**It’s Almost Conference Time!**

November conferences are fast approaching and once again GCES will be using the online PickAtime scheduling website. These conferences are for Monday, Nov. 24 and Tuesday, Nov. 25th. You can start scheduling on **Monday, November 3, 2014 at 12:01** am and continue through **Monday, November 17, 2014 until 11:59 pm.**

Go to the Gorman Crossing website at [http://gces.hcpss.org](https://mail.hcpss.org/owa/redir.aspx?C=VCRSN0f8Mk-jejx6KFnEfFDC2q8dw9EID3xzPRMn0-iZeOnLnYgrdCkOvniTxkfOaj6vUC9VE4Q.&URL=http%3a%2f%2fgces.hcpss.org" \t "_blank) and click on the link for PickAtime. If you have students in different schools, you will need to go to each school's link to schedule conferences. However, you will use the same pickAtime account for all school sites.

If you are new to the system, you will need your child’s ID#. If you have a problem creating an account for your child, please email: [Janie\_marrie@hcpss.org](https://mail.hcpss.org/owa/redir.aspx?C=VCRSN0f8Mk-jejx6KFnEfFDC2q8dw9EID3xzPRMn0-iZeOnLnYgrdCkOvniTxkfOaj6vUC9VE4Q.&URL=mailto%3aJanie_marrie%40hcpss.org" \t "_blank) or [Marian\_Melnick@hcpss.org](https://mail.hcpss.org/owa/redir.aspx?C=VCRSN0f8Mk-jejx6KFnEfFDC2q8dw9EID3xzPRMn0-iZeOnLnYgrdCkOvniTxkfOaj6vUC9VE4Q.&URL=mailto%3aTara_bizokas%40hcpss.org" \t "_blank) and they will send home the necessary information for you to create your account. If you need further assistance please contact Mrs. Marrie or Mrs. Melnick at 410 880-5900.

**Scholastic Book Fair is Coming!**

Dear Parents:

 It is that time again! The Scholastic Book fair is coming to Gorman Crossing. This annual event will be held from November 21st through November 25th. On November 24th,and the 25th we will be open until 7pm. When you send money with your child, please include the 6% sales tax with all orders. All checks should be made out to GCES. In addition to shopping at our school fair, the online book fair will be open from November 21st until December 5th.Please look for more details to follow. See you at the book fair!

Calling all GCES families!!!!  The 5th grade team needs your help!

The 5th grade is creating a custom cookbook featuring favorite recipes from the members of community. These cookbooks will be professionally published and are sure to be a treasured keepsake for us all. Money raised will be used towards our 5th grade special activities, including our picnic, SCH, lock-in, closing ceremony, and possibly even towards the cost of our t-shirts and Philadelphia field trip.

Please submit 3-5 of your favorite recipes so you can be represented in our cookbook. Many recipes from all members will ensure that our cookbook is a success. We are using Morris Press Cookbook’s web site to easily submit recipes online. If you do not have Internet access, our committee can enter them for you. Submit hardcopies of your recipes to either Katie Echentile or Glenn Reid. Please feel free to submit recipes on behalf of your student(s) at GCES or even come up with a creative title for your recipe!

Please submit your recipes online by **November 14th** so we can meet our deadline.

Thank you!

**To Submit Recipes Online:**

Go to www.typensave.com and click ‘Login.’

Enter the User Name: gators2014

Enter the password: dishes355

Enter your name and click ‘Continue.’

Click ‘Add Recipes’ to begin adding your recipes.

***Please contact katie\_echentile@hcpss.org with any questions.  Thank you in advance for your help and support with this activity!  Team Five***

***DATES TO REMEMBER***

***November 3 – Professional Work Day***

***GCES Closed for Students***

***November 4 – Election Day GCES CLOSED***

***November 10 – Picture Retakes***

***Nov. 21 –***

***Special Friends Day***

***9:30 am – 11:30 am***

***PBIS AWARD 10/20/2014***

***Music Technology Art Media PE***

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|  | *Gale* | *Paxson* | *Mills* | *Nix* | *Rubin* |

**GOLDEN GATORS OCTOBER 24, 2014**

**Kindergarten**

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Roberts** | **Gale** | **Pettit** | **Flynn** | **Cook** |
| *Ready* | *Ready* | *Ready* | *Ready* | *Ready* |
|  | Jacob Rowland | Michela | Dhruv Dobariya | Ananya Konnuru |

**1st Grade**

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Lewis** | **Gilroy** | **Nix** | **Gibbs** | **Stern** |
| Responsible: Ava Rhodes | Ready: Anjie Lawore | Responsible: Nyla Whitfield | Responsible: Tabitha Dickson | Responsible: Gauthier Ducharne |

**2nd Grade**

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Shields** | **Paxson** | **Contreras** | **Wrang** | **Reynolds** | **Kelly** |
| Respectful: | Respectful: | Respectful: | Respectful: | Respectful: | Respectful: |
| Alyssa Wu | Andres Alvarez | Elelan Muletta | Mudassar Ajaz | Alana Taylor | Jayden Torres |
| Responsible: | Responsible: | Responsible: | Responsible: | Responsible: | Responsible: |
| Sydney Glascock | Jay Patel | Olivia Bradley | Grace Sanborn | Alyana Whitfield | Gavin Fischetti |
| Ready: | Ready: | Ready: | Ready: | Ready: | Ready: |
| Christopher Bivens |  | Bryan Lin | Tristan Evans | Aidan Stevenson |  |
|  | Luke Spivey | Kindness: |  |  | Nicholas Taylor |
|  |  | Fetina Andemariam |  |  |  |

**3rd Grade**

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Bow** |  | **Isacco** | **Hobbs** | **Ruppe** |
| Respectful - Vivian Portillo Responsible - Gabriel Lee Ready - David Ejindu |  | Respectful - Evan Chan Responsible - Ryan Breeden Ready - Luke Simpson | Responsible: Naomi Belay Ready: Reece Clark Respectful: Burair Rizvi | Responsible: Kendi Caldwell Ready: Elijah Appelbaum Respectful: Andrew Lancaster |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| KINDNESS: Amy Awosika |  |  |  |  |

**4th Grade**

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| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **HOLDEN** | **SUTCLIFF** | **MILLS** | **IRVING** |
| Responsible: | Responsible: | Respectful: | Respectful: |
| Samara Mims | Nirja Kotak | Atharv Vishnuvajhala | Fernandez Woodson |
|  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | DANIELS |
|  |  |  | Kindness: |